



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 09/661,459)	
)	Examiner: Charles Goodman
Filing Date: September 13, 2000)	
)	Atty. Dkt. No.: 000004-00661
For: PUNCHING MACHINE)	
AND METHOD THEREOF)	

COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner provided a statement of reasons for allowance. While those stated reasons are believed to be correct, they are not believed to be the sole reasons for allowance and there may be additional reasons for allowance. The prior art should provide the sole limitation on the allowability of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

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Applicants submit herewith 7 replacement drawing sheets containing Figures 1-7D for the above-identified application.

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